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June 27, 2017

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 14-58, 47 CFR § 54.313 Annual Reporting Requirements for High-Cost Recipients (Form 481)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Attached please find Fort Mojave Telecommunication, Inc.'s (FMTI, SAC 452200) high-cost support recipient annual report pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.313 (Form 481).

FMTI is filing certain financial information, reported pursuant to 47 CFR §54.313(f)(2), as confidential under the March 22, 2016 Protective Order (DA 16-296). Pursuant to that Order, each page of this filing that contains confidential information has been marked "REDACTED - FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION." The non-redacted version of this information will be filed under separate cover per the Protective Order's directives. As such, FMTI will request that the non-redacted version of its submission be withheld from public inspection.

If you have any questions about this filing, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Craig Baumgartner
Senior Client Manager
(719)531-6342

Attachment

**FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting
Data Collection Form**FCC Form 481
OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
July 2013

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Form Type		54.313 and 54.422

(200) Service Outage Reporting (Voice)
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(300) Unfulfilled Service Request Data Collection Form		FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<300> Unfulfilled service request (voice)	<div>0</div>
<310> Detail on attempts (voice)	<div>Name of Attached Document</div>
<320> Unfulfilled service request (broadband)	<div>0</div>
<330> Detail on attempts (broadband)	<div>Name of Attached Document</div>

(400) Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<400>	Select from the drop-down list to indicate how you would like to report voice complaints (zero or greater) for voice telephony service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize.	Offered only fixed voice
<410>	Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed voice	0.0
<420>	Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile voice	
<430>	Select from the drop-down list to indicate how you would like to report end-user customer complaints (zero or greater) for broadband service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize.	Offered only fixed broadband
<440>	Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed broadband	0.0
<450>	Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile broadband	

(500) Compliance With Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules
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<500>	Certify compliance with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules	Yes
<510>	Descriptive document for Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance	452200AZ510.pdf
<515>	Certify compliance with applicable minimum service standards	Yes

**(600) Functionality in Emergency Situations
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<600>	Certify compliance regarding ability to function in emergency situations	Yes
<610>	Descriptive document for Functionality in Emergency Situations	452200A2610.pdf

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<900> Does the filing entity offer tribal land services? (Y/N) Yes

<910>	Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves	Fort Mojave Indian Reservation
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<920>	Tribal Government Engagement Obligation	452200AZ920.pdf
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Name of Attached Document

If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes,No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached PDF, on line 920, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to § 54.313(a)(9) includes:

- <921> Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions.
- <922> Feasibility and sustainability planning;
- <923> Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;
- <924> Compliance with Rights of way processes
- <925> Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements
- <926> Compliance with Facilities Siting rules
- <927> Compliance with Environmental Review processes
- <928> Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes
- <929> Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.

Select Yes or No or Not Applicable
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes

(1000) Voice and Broadband Service Rate Comparability

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<1000> Voice services rate comparability certification Yes

<1010> Attach detailed description for voice services rate comparability compliance

Name of Attached Document

No

<1020> Broadband comparability certification

<1030> Attach detailed description for broadband comparability compliance

452200AZ1030.pdf

Name of Attached Document

(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting Data Collection Form		FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013	
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<1100>	Certify whether terrestrial backhaul options exist (Y/N)	<div>Yes</div>
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<1130>	Please select the appropriate response (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 kbps upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g).	<div></div>
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(1200) Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers		FCC Form 481	
Lifeline		OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819	
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452200AZ1210.pdf

<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans

Name of Attached Document

<1220>	Link to Public Website	HTTP
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"Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210, or the website listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.422(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must annually report:

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<1221> Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers,

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<1222> Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan,

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<1223> Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan.

(2005) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation		FCC Form 481	
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<i>Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers</i>		July 2013	
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Select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Connect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(e). The information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting

<2011>	3rd Year Certification 47 CFR §54.313(b)(1)(ii) - Note that for the July 2017 certification, this applies to Round 2 recipients of Incremental Support.	
<2022>	Recipient certifies, representing year three after filing a notice of acceptance of funding pursuant to 54.312(c), that the locations in question are not receiving support under the Broadband Initiatives Program or the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program for projects that will provide broadband with speeds of at least 4 Mbps/1Mbps - 54.313(b)(2)(i). Round 2 recipients only.	
<2023>	The attachment on line 2024 includes a statement of the total amount of capital funding expended in the previous year in meeting Connect America Phase I deployment obligations, accompanied by a list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent. This covers year three - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.	
<2024A>	Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?	
<2024B>	Attach list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent in year three - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
<2025A>	Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?	
<2025B>	Attach geocoded Information for Phase I milestone reports (Round 2 for year three) - Connect America Fund , WC Docket 10-90, Report and Order, FCC 13-73, paragraph 35 (May 22, 2013).	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
<2015>	2016 and future Frozen Support Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(c)(4)	

Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support {47 CFR § 54.313(d)}

<2016> Certification support used to build broadband

Connect America Phase II Reporting {47 CFR § 54.313(e)}

<2017A> Connect America Fund Phase II recipient?

<2017C> Total amount of Phase II support, if any, the price cap carrier used for capital expenditures in 2016.

<2018> Attach the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the carrier newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year - 54.313(e)(1)(ii)(A)

Name of Attached Document Listing
Required Information

<2019> Recipient certifies that it bid on category one telecommunications and Internet access services in response to all FCC Form 470 postings seeking broadband service that meets the connectivity targets for the schools and libraries universal service support program for eligible schools and libraries located within any area in a census block where the carrier is receiving Phase II model-based support, and that such bids were at rates reasonably comparable to rates charged to eligible schools and libraries in urban areas for comparable offerings - 54.313(e)(1)(ii)(C)

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Select from the drop down menu or check the boxes below to note compliance with 54.313(f)(1). Privately held carriers must ensure compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

(3009)	Progress Report on 5 Year Plan Carrier certifies to 54.313(f)(1)(iii)		
		Yes - Attach Certification	
(3010A)	Certification of Public Interest Obligations {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i)}		
(3010B)	Please Provide Attachment	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	452200AZ3010.pdf
(3012A)	Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(iii)}	No - No New Community Anchors	
(3012B)	Please Provide Attachment	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
(3013)	Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)}	(Yes/No)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>
(3014)	If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report	(Yes/No)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>
Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:			
(3015)	Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3016)	Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3017)	If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	452200AZ3017.pdf
(3018)	If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited?	(Yes/No)	<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>
If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:			
(3019)	Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3020)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3021)	Management letter and/or audit opinion issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit.		<input type="checkbox"/>
If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:			
(3022)	Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3023)	Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3024)	Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3025)	Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3026)	Attach the worksheet listing required information	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	

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4005 Rural Broadband Experiment

Authorized Rural Broadband Experiment (RBE) recipients must address the certification for public interest obligations, provide a list of newly served community anchor institutions, and provide a list of locations where broadband has been deployed.

Public Interest Obligations – FCC 14-98 (paragraphs 26-29, 78)

Please address Line 4001 regarding compliance with the Commission’s public interest obligations. All RBE participants must provide a response to Line 4001.

4001. Recipient certifies that it is offering broadband to the identified locations meeting the requisite public interest obligations consistent with the category for which they were selected, including broadband speed, latency, usage capacity, and rates that are reasonably comparable to rates for comparable offerings in urban areas?

Community Anchor Institutions – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 79)

4003a. RBE participants must provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which they newly deployed broadband service in the preceding calendar year. On this line, please respond (yes – attach new community anchors, no – no new anchors) to indicate whether this list will be provided.

If yes to 4003A, please provide a response for 4003B.

4003b. Provide the number, names and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the recipient newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

Broadband Deployment Locations – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 80)

4004a. Attach a list of geocoded locations to which broadband has been deployed as of the June 1st immediately preceding the July 1st filing deadline for the FCC Form 481.

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

4004b. Attach evidence demonstrating that the recipient is meeting the relevant public service obligations for the identified locations. Materials must at least detail the pricing, offered broadband speed and data usage allowances available in the relevant geographic area.

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients	
I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier: FORT MOJAVE TEL, INC	
Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date 06/27/2017
Printed name of Authorized Officer: Linda Gutierrez	
Title or position of Authorized Officer: General Manager	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 9283462521 ext.	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 452200	Filing Due Date for this form: 07/03/2017
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

Certification - Agent / Carrier Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I certify that (Name of Agent) _____ is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.	
Name of Authorized Agent:	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	
Signature of Authorized Officer:	Date:
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	Filing Due Date for this form:
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	
Name of Authorized Agent Firm:	
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	Date:
Name of Authorized Agent Employee:	
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent	
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	
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Attachments

(710) Broadband Price Offerings
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<711>	<a1>	<a2>	<b1>	<b2>	<c>	<d1>	<d2>	<d3>	<d4>
	State	Exchange (ILEC)	Residential Rate	State Regulated Fees	Total Rates and Fees	Broadband Service - Download Speed (Mbps)	Broadband Service - Upload Speed (Mbps)	Usage Allowance (GB)	Usage Allowance Action Taken When Limit Reached (select)
	AZ	Mesquite Creek	29.95	0.0	29.95	0.256	0.126	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	AZ	Mesquite Creek	49.95	0.0	49.95	0.512	0.384	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	AZ	Mesquite Creek	69.95	0.0	69.95	1.536	1.536	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	AZ	Mesquite Creek	59.95	0.0	59.95	4.0	1.0	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	AZ	Mesquite Creek	139.95	0.0	139.95	10.0	2.0	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	AZ	Arizona Village	29.95	0.0	29.95	0.256	0.126	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	AZ	Arizona Village	49.95	0.0	49.95	0.512	0.384	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	AZ	Arizona Village	69.95	0.0	69.95	1.536	1.536	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	AZ	Arizona Village	59.95	0.0	59.95	4.0	1.0	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	AZ	Arizona Village	139.95	0.0	139.95	10.0	1.0	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	CA	California Village	29.95	0.0	29.95	0.256	0.126	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	CA	California Village	49.95	0.0	49.95	0.512	0.384	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	CA	California Village	69.95	0.0	69.95	1.536	1.536	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	CA	California Village	59.95	0.0	59.95	4.0	1.0	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	CA	California Village	139.95	0.0	139.95	10.0	2.0	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	NV	Spirit Mountain	29.95	0.0	29.95	0.256	0.126	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	NV	Spirit Mountain	49.95	0.0	49.95	0.512	0.384	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	NV	Spirit Mountain	69.95	0.0	69.95	1.536	1.536	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	NV	Spirit Mountain	59.95	0.0	59.95	4.0	1.0	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance
	NV	Spirit Mountain	139.95	0.0	139.95	10.0	2.0	999999	Other, No limit on usage allowance

FCC Form 481 Certifications

FCC Form 481 Line 510
Fort Mojave Telecommunications, Inc.
SAC 452200

Line 510: Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance

Service Quality Standards

FMTI provides wireline services throughout its service area and is regulated by the sovereign authority of the Fort Mojave Indian Tribe, including the duly elected Fort Mojave Tribal Council and the Fort Mojave Tribal Public Utilities Commission. As such, FMTI is not regulated by state regulatory authorities. As a tribally-regulated entity, FMTI complies with service quality standards as promulgated by the Tribal Council and/or Tribal Public Utilities Commission.

FCC Form 481 Certifications

FCC Form 481 Line 610
Fort Mojave Telecommunications, Inc.
SAC 452200

Line 610: Functionality in Emergency Situations

FMTI's network is engineered to remain functional in emergencies, including power outages. All of its exchanges and digital loop carrier units have backup battery systems and access to generators. Three of FMTI's four exchanges have permanent generators installed with the remaining exchanges served by two portable generators.¹ FMTI's battery backup system is capable of a minimum of eight hours of power.

FMTI has devised a plan to remain functional in the event of an emergency. This plan revolves around FMTI's business office being designated the command center in the case of a natural disaster or other emergency.² FMTI has installed various backup battery systems and backup fuel for the generators behind its technical firewall for business operations. These actions have resulted in a communications and Internet Service Provider network that can continue operations for twenty days without primary commercial power.

¹ The remaining exchange is currently served by portable generators and is being upgraded to permanent generators.

² FMTI's business office is located in close proximity to the tribal government's office as well as adjacent to the tribal police force. Therefore, designating it as the command center is reasonable.

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FCC Form 481 Line 920

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The Fort Mojave Indian Tribe of the Fort Mojave Indian Reservation, a federally recognized Indian Tribe, owns 51 percent of the Fort Mojave Telecommunications, Inc. Because of this relationship, the management at Fort Mojave Telecommunications, Inc. is in constant contact with the Tribal government in several areas of business operations including but not limited to the following:

1. Feasibility and sustainability planning
2. Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner.
3. Compliance with Rights of Way process.
4. Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements
5. Compliance with Facilities Siting rules
6. Compliance with Environmental Review processes
7. Compliance with Cultural Preservations review processes
8. Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements

Dates and Topics for Meeting with the Fort Mojave Indian Tribe

- 1/13/16-AMPS outage meeting Mesquite Creek
- 1/13/16- Fort Mojave Police department discuss 911 project
- 1/13/16- Tribal Chairman's Master Plan Project
- 1/20/16- Fort Mojave Board Meeting
- 1/27/16- Fort Mojave Police/Frontier to discuss 911 PSAP project
- 2/17/16- Fort Mojave Board Meeting
- 3/16/16- Fort Mojave Board Meeting
- 3/29/16- Fort Mojave AVI meeting to discuss security process.
- 4/5/16- Fort Mojave Tribal Directors Meeting
- 4/20/16- Fort Mojave Board Meeting
- 5/18/16- Fort Mojave Board Meeting
- 6/8/16- Fort Mojave Tribe/ Police/Frontier to discuss 911 PSAP project
- 6/9/16- Fort Mojave Tribal EPA meeting to discuss Cyber Security.
- 6/15/16- Fort Mojave Board Meeting
- 6/30/16- Fort Mojave Tribe First Net involvement.
- 7/19/16- Huukan Golf Course construction/ Utilities meeting
- 7/20/16- Fort Mojave Board Meeting
- 8/8/16- Huukan Golf Course construction meeting
- 8/17/16- Fort Mojave Board Meeting
- 8/23/16- Huukan Golf Course construction Utilities meeting
- 9/28/16- Fort Mojave Board Meeting
- 10/8/16- Fort Mojave Tribe Shareholders meeting
- 10/10/16- Tribal meeting to discuss damaged fiber and copper

- 11/16/16- Fort Mojave Board Meeting
- 12/12/16- Tribal meeting with Nevada Energy project
- 12/14/16- Fort Mojave Board Meeting

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Statement Regarding Broadband Rate Comparability

47 CFR § 54.313(a)(12)

2016 FCC Form 481, Line 1030

Fort Mojave Telecommunications, Inc. (FMTI) states the following as to the requirements contained in 47 CFR § 54.313(a)(12) regarding the reasonable comparability of residential broadband rates. This rule requires that eligible telecommunications carriers (ETCs) provide *“a certification that the pricing of a service that meets the Commission's broadband public interest obligations is no more than the applicable benchmark to be announced annually in a public notice issued by the Wireline Competition Bureau, or is no more than the non-promotional price charged for a comparable fixed wireline service in urban areas in the states or U.S. Territories where the eligible telecommunications carrier receives support.”*

FMTI notes that this rule, adopted in the FCC's December 18, 2014 Report and Order in WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 14-58, and 14-192 (FCC 14-190) is effective for the first time with the 2016 Form 481 ETC Annual Report. Furthermore, the Wireline Competition Bureau issued a Public Notice (DA 17-167, rel. February 17, 2017) that contains, *inter alia*, the process for determining the applicable reasonably comparable benchmark rates. ETCs are to certify on line 1020 of the 2017 Form 481 that one broadband service offering that satisfies all of the Commission's requirements, including that the service be offered throughout the high-cost support recipient's supported area or made available upon request be priced at or below the relevant benchmark.

While FMTI offers, or will offer upon reasonable request, fixed wireline retail residential broadband internet access service meeting the Commission's requirements (10/1 mbps, 150 gb of monthly capacity), it does not and cannot do so at rates at or below the relevant benchmarks. FMTI's retail rate for residential 10/1 unlimited broadband internet access service is \$139.95 per month, while the benchmark rate according to the 2017 Public Notice is \$76.97. In addition, FMTI has considered the *“non-promotional price charged for a comparable fixed wireline service in urban areas in the states or U.S. Territories”* in Arizona. FMTI's rate is higher due to many factors, including the high cost, remote tribal areas that it serves, the relatively high middle mile costs necessary to connect FMTI's customers to the Internet, and the sparse population in its tribal serving area.

FMTI also notes that, as an ILEC ETC, it does not provide retail Internet access services of any kind directly to end user customers; rather, FMTI provides wholesale service to its Internet Service Provider (ISP) affiliate, which then adds services to the broadband “pipe” FMTI provides in order to provide broadband Internet access service to individual residential customers. Thus, FMTI, as the ILEC, does not control the costs incurred by the ISP or the prices charged to the end user.

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FCC Form 481 Line 1210
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Line 1210: Lifeline Terms and Conditions

Lifeline subscribers on tribal lands receive unlimited local calling at a discount of up to \$25.00.

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4. Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program

The Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program, also known as Lifeline and Tribal Link-Up, has been authorized by the Federal Communications Commission for low-income customers. The program is provided in the Telephone Company's local serving area by the Telephone Company to reduce the telephone charges for eligible low-income customers.

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4.1 General Description

(A) The Lifeline portion of the Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program provides for a discount of \$9.25 from the recurring monthly Basic Local Exchange Access Line of the principal residence for eligible low-income customers. The discount applies on a single line at the principal residence for the eligible customer.

(C)

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(B) The Tribal Link-Up portion of the Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program is a program created by the Federal Communications Commission that provides a maximum discount of \$100.00, on the Access Order, Line Connection and Premise Visit Charges, associated with the connection of access line service. The discount applies on a single line at the principal residence for eligible customer. See Section 4.6(E).

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(N)

4.2 Undertaking of the Telephone Company

(A) The Telephone Company will provide the discounts described in Subsections 4.1(A) and (B) only to low-income end users who meet the eligibility requirements.

The utility will have the right to verify that applicants meet the eligibility requirements directly with the state agency administering the qualifying programs.

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(N)

(B) The Telephone Company will offer the Tribal Link-Up portion of the program in accordance with 47 CFR, 54.413

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4. Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program (Cont'd)

4.2 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)

(C) The Company shall provide Lifeline telephone Service to any applicant that certifies under penalty of perjury that they receive benefits from one of the programs listed below and identify the program or programs from which that applicant receives benefits. The qualifying low-income applicant also must agree to notify the Company when that applicant ceases to participate in the program or programs. (C)

- Medicaid;
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program;
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI);
- Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8);
- Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program;
- National School Lunch Program's free lunch program;
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

Or if the applicant's household income is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. (N)

(D) The Telephone Company will provide the discounts as described in Section 4.1 preceding. (M)

(E) The Telephone Company will waive the Access Order Charges to change to or from the Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program due to change in eligibility status.

(F) The Telephone Company will begin providing the Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program discounts on the date this tariff is approved if a valid application (meeting the eligibility requirements set forth in 4.2(A) and (B) above) has already been received, or the date the Company receives a valid application from the end user or when new service is established if a valid application has been received. (M)

(G) The Telephone Company will waive the deposit requirement to the Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program participants unless the participant has a history of late payments to the Telephone Company. A history of late payment means failure to make payment on the due date three times in any twelve month period.

(H) The Telephone Company will waive the deposit requirement to the Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program participants unless the participant has a history of late payments to the Telephone Company. A history of late payment means failure to make payment on the due date three times in any twelve month period.

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4. Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program (Cont'd)

4.3 Limitations

- (A) The discounts are applicable only on the end user's principal residence line. (M)
- (B) The Telephone Company will not provide a Tribal Link-Up discount on the Access Order, Line Connection and Premise Visit Charges, associated with moves of facilities, changes of telephone number, installation of auxiliary equipment (unless provided in accordance with a medical statement signed by a doctor) or restoral of service disconnected for nonpayment.
- (C) The Telephone Company will not provide a Tribal Link-Up discount more often than once in every two year period for those end users moving within the exchange. (M)
- (D) Lifeline Telephone Service will be subject to the following restrictions: (N)
- Applicants must be head of household or person in whose name the property or rental agreement resides;
 - Service will only be provided to the applicant's principal residence;
 - Lifeline customers are charged the Residence access line rate plus the Federal Subscriber Line charge, then receive the applicable federal and state Lifeline discounts on their Local bill.
 - Optional toll blocking functionality is offered at no charge to Lifeline customers.
 - Service charges will be waived for changing basic local exchange service to Lifeline service. (N)

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4. Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program (Cont'd)

4.4 Obligations of the End User

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The end user seeking the Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program discounts are responsible for demonstrating that he/she meets the eligibility requirements of the programs. Furthermore, it will be the obligation of the end user to provide any recertification of eligibility to the Telephone Company in a timely manner.

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Recipients of Lifeline Telephone Service must notify the Company of a change in any condition, which occurs that would cause the household to no longer qualify for the service under Section 4.1, Lifeline Telephone Service, or Enhanced Lifeline Service For Tribal Lands under Section 4.6(D). Upon receipt of notifications, the Company will change the service to regular tariffed rate4s for the service furnished. Service Connection Charges will not apply to the change in service.

(N)

If the Company discovers that conditions exist which cause the recipient not to qualify for Lifeline Telephone Service, the customer will be notified that the service will be converted to regular tariffed rates.

The Company will have the right to verify that applicants meet the eligibility requirements directly with the state agency administering the qualifying programs, via statistically valid sample or other means performed by the Company on an annual basis.

Applicants that qualify under the 135% Federal Poverty Guideline criteria must sign a document under penalty of perjury certifying their household income is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines and provide supporting documentation at the time of enrollment. The Supporting documentation can include on the following:

- Prior year's state, federal or tribal tax return;
- Current income statements from an employer or paycheck stub;
- Social Security statement of benefits;
- Veterans Administration state or benefits;
- Retirement / Pension statement of benefits;
- Unemployment / Workers Compensation statement of benefits;
- Federal or tribal notice letter of participation in Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance;
- Divorce Decree or Child Support Document

If the applicant chooses to submit anything other than the prior year's income tax return, applicant must present three consecutive months worth of the alternative supporting documentation that is within the most recent twelve consecutive months.

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4. Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program (Cont'd)

4.5 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances

Payment arrangements and credit allowances are as set forth in Section 2.5 preceding.

4.6 Rate Regulations

(A) The Local Exchange Access Service rate reduction for the Lifeline portion of the Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program participants is as set forth in Section 20.4 (A) following. The rate reduction will be prorated on the basis of a 30-day month from the effective date of the end user's application.

(B) The maximum discount on the Access Order, Line Connection and Premise Visit Charges, for the Tribal Link-Up participants is as set forth in Section 20.4 (C) following.

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(N)

4. Low-Income Telephone Assistance Program (Cont'd)

4.6 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

(D) Enhanced Lifeline Service for Tribal Lands

Residential customers who reside on federally recognized tribal lands are eligible to receive additional enhanced federal Lifeline support in order to reduce the price for basic local telephone service. An individual living on tribal lands shall qualify for an additional enhanced federal Lifeline credit of up to \$25.00 per month if the individual participates in any state or federal programs identified in Section 4.1 A, Sheet 4-1, or in one of the following assistance programs:

- Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance
- Tribally Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
- Head Start (only those households meeting its income qualifying standards)
- Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)

(E) Tribal Link Up

Tribal Land Residents who qualify for the Federal Communication Commission's Tribal Link Up receive a 100% reduction, up to \$100.00 on access line service charges to connect service at a new address. The discount applies on a single line at the principal place of residence for the applicant.

Tribal Link Up discounts are provided to those who are eligible for one or more of the public assistance programs listed below and also shown in the Lifeline Service section of this tariff Section 4.1(A), Sheet 4-1.

- (a) Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance
- (b) Tribally Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
- (c) Head Start (only those households meeting its income qualifying standard)
- (d) Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservation (FDPIR)

The subscriber will be given an option to pay for the discounted service connection charges in up to twelve monthly installments.

The customer is not required to pay interest on the first 200% of service connection charges that are deferred up to one year.

Tribal Link Up may be offered more than one time per customer, provided the customer has moved to a different address. There is no limit on the number of Tribal Link Up requests per customer.

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20. Rates and Charges

20.4 Low Income Telephone Assistance Programs

Rate

Source

(A) Residential Local Exchange Access
Service Rate - Lifeline Reduction
Per Access Line

\$ 9.25

4.6(A)

(B) Enhanced Lifeline Service on Tribal Lands
- Maximum Additional Discount
Per Access Line

\$25.00

4.6(B)

(C)
(N)
(I)

(C) Tribal Link Up Discount
- Maximum Reduction

\$100.00

4.6(C)

(C)
(I)

20.5 Local Exchange Access Service

(A) Local Exchange Access Service

(1) Residential Service
Per Access Line

\$15.00

5.6 (A)

(2) Business Service (Including
PABX and Key System Trunks)
Per Access Line

\$21.00

5.6 (B)

* Applicable Access Order, Line Connection and Premise Visit Charges
apply.

20.6 Centrex Service

(A) Installation

\$16.50

6.4

(B) Per MCS DID Line

\$ 6.00

6.3

(C) Changes in Serving Arrangements,
Hunting arrangements, etc.

\$ 16.50

6.4

20.7 Local Exchange Special Access Service

(A) Channel Termination
Per Termination

\$30.88

7.6

* Applicable Access Order and Premise Visit Charges apply.

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Milestone Certification
47 CFR 54.313(f)(1)(i)
Form 481, Line 3010

The Company hereby certifies pursuant to 47 CFR 54.313(f)(1)(i) that it is taking all reasonable steps to provide, upon reasonable request, broadband service at actual speeds of at least 10 mbps downstream and 1 mbps upstream, with latency suitable for real-time applications, including Voice over Internet Protocol, and usage capacity that is reasonably comparable to comparable offerings in urban areas, and that requests for such service are met within a reasonable time frame.

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